

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER
U. S. WEATHER BUREAU
May 7, 1917—Last twenty-
four hours: rainfall, .00,
Temperature, Min. 72; Max.
81. Weather, clear.

Hawaiian Gazette

LATEST CABLED SUGAR QUOTATIONS		
	Cents	Dollars
90° Centrifugals N. Y. per lb. per ton		
Price, Hawaiian basis	6.145	\$122.90
Last previous quota- tion.....	6.08	\$121.60

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BRITISH TAKE UP WORK OF BATTERING IN TEUTON LINES

Field Marshal Haig Is Reported
To Be Pounding His Way
Through the Kaiser's Hosts In
the Bloody Sector Near Arras

FRENCH CONSOLIDATING THEIR CAPTURED GROUND

Greeks Launch Fierce Attack
Against the Bulgarians Operat-
ing On the Border of Serbia
and Win Three Miles of Front

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)
NEW YORK, May 8—Battling
their way forward by hand
to hand fighting but continuing
their advances steadily, the Brit-
ish yesterday gained still more
ground in the important Bulle-
court sector, capturing many
prisoners and closing a number
of paths which the Germans were
holding for their retreat from this
sector when it proved no longer
possible to hold on. When night
fall came only the southern edge
of the shattered town remained
in their hands.

The ground for which the fight-
ing is now going on stretches be-
tween Roeux on the Scarpe River
to Bullecourt, and between that
last town, now but a heap of
charred ruins, to Fountain Rein-
court, once a pretty little village,
now but a heap of shell powdered
dirt.

In Bullecourt, the key to the
immediate section, the fighting
has been desperate. The Ger-
mans have had orders to hang on
as long as possible, while the
British are determined to rid the
place of the Huns as soon as it
can be done. Yesterday the bat-
tle swung back and forth in the
streets of the little town, with the
fighting men of the two armies so
close that the artillery on either
side had to remain silent for fear
of harming its own infantry. It
was here therefore that the hand
to hand struggle took place, with
the Germans unable to stand the
hot fury of the Canadian assault.

Between Roeux and Fountain
Reincourt the British attack was
not so successful, according to
the German claims, which declar-
ed that the attacks were repulsed
with heavy slaughter.

The British official statement
issued last night however, tells
a different story. In that sector,
it reports the Germans counter
attacked to recover lost ground
yesterday, sending huge massed
bodies of men to the assault, in
the hope of carrying their objec-
tive by sheer weight of numbers.
But they paid a heavy toll for
their recklessness. With heavy
guns and machine guns and rifles
the British met the attack, and
the Teuton columns melted under
the terrific fire, until the whole
of the section was covered with
German dead, and the attack
was broken.

Northeast of Soissons the French
repulsed counter attacks the Ger-
mans launched to recover lost ground
along the Chemin des Dames, and con-
solidated their gains. Since April 16 the
French have taken 29,000 prisoners.
The Greeks who are cooperating with
the Allies in Macedonia, yesterday at-
tacked the positions of the Bulgarian

NICKEL PLANT IN SWEDEN BURNED; GERMANY SUFFERS

Entire Output of Big Factory At
Christiansand, Which Was Un-
der Contract To Kaiserbund
Will Now Be Cut Off

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)
CHRISTIANIA, Sweden, May 8—
Telegrams from Christiansand last
night reported that the great nickel re-
fining plant which has been operating
there, largely for the benefit of the Ger-
man government, has been burned to
the ground and will be forced to sus-
pend operating for several months. This
plant had contracted with Germany for
its entire output of nickel.

PRESIDENT WINS SPY BILL FIGHT

Senate After Hearing Statements
From Administration
Cuts Out Changes

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)
WASHINGTON, May 7—To give ad-
ministration leaders an opportunity to
explain their reasons for insisting on
the embargo and newspaper censorship
provisions of the espionage bill, the
senate today closed its doors and went
into executive session. After five
hours' debate it eliminated the modifi-
cations previously decided upon in the
embargo section to which the President
objected. The senators understood that
the government has information to
show that under present conditions in-
formation of military value is reaching
the enemy which the censorship as origi-
nally proposed would stop.

JOKER IN PURCHASE TRICKS UNCLE SAM

Unable To Seize German Ships In
Danish West Indies

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)
WASHINGTON, May 7—It was re-
vealed in the house today that there ex-
ists a hitherto unpublished provision in
the agreement with Denmark by which
the United States took over by pur-
chase the Danish West Indies. Under
this agreement, German ships in the
Danish islands may not be seized by the
United States.

PLANNING DOOM OF PRUSSIAN PIRATES

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)
WASHINGTON, May 8—It was for-
mally announced last night that the
equipment committee of the naval con-
sulting board will inform Secretary
Daniels today of the progress of the
board's study in outlining a plan for
combating the German pirates. This
announcement is from New York, in
which Commissioner Saunders of the
naval consulting board declared that an
unnamed inventor has "solved the
problem of combating the submarine
menace."

BRITISH MAY BUY OUT THEIR LIQUOR TRADE

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)
LONDON, May 8—The London Times
of Tuesday morning, will claim that it
has authority for the statement that
the government has formally decided to
adopt a policy of purchase of the whole
of the liquor trade in the United King-
dom.

WHITMAN WANTS BOXING LAW REPEALED AT ONCE

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)
ALBANY, New York, May 8—Gov-
ernor Whitman last night issued an
order message to the State legislature,
now in session, in which he urged the
repeal of the boxing law.

front on the Serbian frontier and oc-
cupied three miles in spite of desperate
opposition by the Bulgars. This is the
first time the Greeks have been in ac-
tion as Allies of the Entente.

SCENES of Prussian frightfulness at work in northern France. The upper photograph shows
shade trees cut down by the Prussians during the retreat from Peronne. A squad of British
soldiers is engaged in clearing away the trees. This is a British official photograph. The lower
shows fruit trees in the Nesles district destroyed by the Prussians during their retreat. This is
a French official photograph.



GERMANS PREPARE FOR AERIAL BLOWS

Hamburg Reported To Be Expect-
ing Warfare Closer At Home
As Soon As Summer Comes

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)
COPENHAGEN, May 8—That the
Germans are preparing for war closer
at home has leaked out in despatches
which have escaped the censorship and
reached this city from various sections
of Germany. It is reported that the
city of Hamburg is confidently expect-
ing aeroplane attacks this coming sum-
mer and is preparing accordingly.
The commandant at Metz also has
issued instructions to the inhabitants
all along the border as to what to do in
case of aeroplane attacks.
Other despatches from Berlin, which
have been allowed to pass the censor,
declare that there is still talk of peace
and the formal announcement of peace
terms in that city. It is reported there
that the new German peace proposals
will be made within a week.

TURKS DRIVE JEWS OUT OF PALESTINE

Thousands Are Made Homeless
By Their Age-Old Foes

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)
NEW YORK, May 7—Spreading ter-
ror throughout the Holy Land, the
Turks are driving the Jews from Pale-
stine into miserable exile. A cablegram
received here says that the entire Jew-
ish population of Jaffa, Palestine, about
8000 men, women and children, were
forced by the Turks on April 1 to eva-
uate their homes and flee from the city.
Jaffa is about thirty-five miles from
Jerusalem.

JAPAN MAY SEND OVER COMMISSION

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)
WASHINGTON, May 7—That Japan
may send a commission to the United
States to join with the Americans, as
the French and British are now doing,
in plans for prosecuting the war is the
latest development.

Waste Is Barred By Official Order In Great Britain Now

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)
LONDON, May 8—The government,
it was announced last night, intends
soon to issue an order making rigorous
rules against waste of any sort, and im-
posing penalties of varying degree on
those found guilty of violations of the
ruling.

RAILROADS NOT YET MAKING ANY MONEY

Even Increased Rates Will Not
Give Them Clear Profit

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)
WASHINGTON, May 7—That the
big transcontinental railroads will not
"break even" in spite of the proposed
rate increase, figuring the new operat-
ing expenses, was declared by railroad
representatives today when the inter-
state commerce commission began its
hearings on the application for a fifteen
per cent increase in freight rates.
The railroad men stated that the ad-
vance will fall \$75,000,000 short of the
\$217,000,000 increase of 1917 operating
expenses over those of 1915.

AEROPLANE BOMBS CITY OF LONDON

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)
LONDON, May 7—A hostile airplane
today dropped four bombs in London.
One man was killed and several injured.

SOLONS CAN'T AGREE UPON DRAFT MEASURE

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)
WASHINGTON, May 8—The
house and senate conferees who have
been at work on the Selective Draft
Bill held a lengthy conference yester-
day but after more than four
hours of talk failed to reach any
conclusion. "We found it impossi-
ble to reconcile our differences,"
said one member of the committees.

LANSING CLAPS ON STRICT CENSORSHIP

State Department Underlings Are
Forbidden To Give Any
News In Future

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)
WASHINGTON, May 8—Secretary
Lansing issued a stringent order to the
employees of the state department last
night, instructing them that in future
they are to be permitted to give out no
information to the press. "You are
not to communicate even an insignifi-
cant fact or detail," reads the order.
Hereafter, continues the order, all
news is to be given out by the secretary
himself or by the new bureau of foreign
intelligence, recently organized in the
department. This order means that in
future all news which the state depart-
ment gives out will be of a purely per-
functory nature and lacking in all de-
tails.

CONGRESS GIVES RIGHT TO USE SEIZED SHIPS

House Passes Joint Resolution
Already Approved By Senate

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)
WASHINGTON, May 8—The joint
resolution authorizing the President to
put into active service the ships be-
longing to German owners, which were
seized at the outbreak of the war with
the Kaiserbund, was passed by the
house late yesterday afternoon. The
resolution had been passed by the sen-
ate.

BANKS LOSE FIGHT TO LIBEL GERMAN STEAMER

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)
WASHINGTON, May 7—By a deci-
sion of the supreme court today the
New York banks have lost their liti-
gation against the North German Lloyd
liner Kronprinzessin Cecilie.

PORTUGAL SENDS SHIPS TO ASSIST HER ALLIES

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)
LISBON, Portugal, May 7—Sixty out
of seventy-six German steamers which
were seized by Portugal when relations
were broken with Berlin, have been
rented to England for \$7,000,000.

French Pay Homage To Memory of Our Martyred President

Field Marshal Joffre, the Great
Son of Sister Republic, Silently
Lays Wreath Upon the Tomb
of Abraham Lincoln—Commis-
sion's Train Derailed

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)
SPRINGFIELD, Illinois, May 8—
Led by Field Marshal Joffre, who was
closely followed by Foreign Minister
Viviani, the French commissioners to
this country yesterday paid a reveren-
tial visit to the tomb of Abraham Lin-
coln, the "Great Liberator." General
Joffre carried with him a beautiful
wreath of flowers which he laid upon
the tomb without saying a word. In-
deed the visitors paid their visit in
total silence, and not until they left the
tomb did one of the party speak a word.
Later the members of the commis-
sion visited the state capital, where
they were given a rousing reception.
General Joffre paid tribute to Lincoln
and Wilson, as two of America's great-
est sons.
On leaving the city the commission's
special was derailed at Arcola, Illinois,
but no one was hurt.
As the train was leaving Decatur,
Illinois, an over eager spectator jumped
too close to the moving train and was
knocked under the wheels and ground
to death.

RUSSIANS URGED TO STAND FIRM

Gompers Sends Cablegram To
Petrograd Pointing Out Need
For Real Loyalty

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)
WASHINGTON, May 8—Samuel
Gompers, president of the American
Federation of Labor expressed himself
as delighted yesterday when it was an-
nounced that the Russian soldiers and
workmen's delegates have come out
solidly against a premature peace. He
sent a long cable to Russia aimed at
combating the German influence that
is known to be at work in Petrograd,
urging the need for harmony in fight-
ing the battle for democracy.

BALFOUR IS SURE OF VICTORY FOR ALLIES

British Foreign Minister Predicts
Success In Just War

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)
WASHINGTON, May 7—Arthur Bal-
four foreign minister of Great Britain
and head of the British commission,
speaking in the house on Saturday, said:
"The menace of militarism increases.
We, the free peoples of western civiliza-
tions, are banded together to fight the
menace and will surely conquer."

ALLIED COMMISSIONS NOW HARD AT WORK

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)
NEW YORK, May 7—With two Al-
lied war commissions sitting continu-
ously, one at London and the other at
Washington, there have appeared the
first actual steps to coordinate the
powerful resources of the United
States and bring them into the war
with the resources of the Allies.

SOLONS NOT TOO RUSHED FOR "PORK"

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)
WASHINGTON, May 7—The rivers
and harbors bill, with an appropriation
of \$25,000,000, has been agreed upon in
the house committee.

LYNCHING IN ARIZONA TO BE INVESTIGATED

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)
PHOENIX, Arizona, May 8—Attor-
ney General Jones has directed the
county attorneys of Maricopa and Pi-
nal counties to begin a searching in-
vestigation of the lynching of James
Gibson, a Chicago salesman, who shot
and killed Star Duley, and then at-
tempted to assault Mrs. Duley.

REGIMENTS OF ENGINEERS TO BE RUSHED TO AID OF ALLIES

First Contingent of American
Army To Leave For Front Will
Be Made Up of Expert Rail-
road Builders and Operators

DATE OF DEPARTURE AND DESTINATION KEPT SECRET

Commands Will Be In the Hands
of Colonels From the Regular
Army Who Will Have Regular
Officers As Their Adjutants

(Associated Press by Commercial Cable)
WASHINGTON, May 8—Nine
regiments of expert rail-
road builders and operators will
be the first contingent the Amer-
ican army will send to aid our
Allies on the western front.

This plan was formally an-
nounced last night, but the strict
secrecy, with which the adminis-
tration officials are now guarding
all military and naval moves,
operated to keep all information
regarding even the approximate
date of the despatch of the com-
mands and their destination
carefully veiled.

It is believed that the com-
mand will be sent to France, but
even this is uncertain, and it is
possible that a part at least may
be sent to some one of the other
fronts where railroad experts are
greatly needed, even more than
on the western front.

It was reported that these
regiments will be composed of
volunteers entirely. The person-
nel will be made up of men who
have had experience with the
work of construction of railroads
as well as men who are capable
of handling trains and locomotives,
both steam and electrical.

Each regiment will be com-
manded by a regular army colo-
nel, of engineers, selected espe-
cially for his skill. One other
regular army officer will fill the
position of adjutant in the com-
mands, but for the other commis-
sioned posts civilians accus-
tomed to the work that is to be
done will be selected by the war
department from among the of-
ficer's reserve candidates.

It is understood that the work
of recruiting these regiments will
be commenced immediately and
that efforts will be made to rush
them through as speedily as pos-
sible so that they may be sent
to the front with little delay.

It is pointed out also that these
regiments will require but little
in the way of equipment, com-
pared with a line regiment, as it
is probable that the Allies have
plenty of material with which the
men are to work already on the
ground.

ANOTHER HUGE LOAN IS MADE TO BRITAIN

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)
WASHINGTON, May 8—It was an-
nounced today that the government will
lend England \$100,000,000 to meet war
needs in May. A second instalment
of \$25,000,000 has been added to Sat-
urday's loan.